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--7. An electric power steering apparatus, comprising:  
an electric motor for steering assistance;  
a worm shaft on which a worm is disposed;  
a steering shaft on which a worm wheel is disposed and to which a rotary motion  
of said electric motor is transmitted through said worm shaft; and  
a biasing member biasing one of said worm shaft and said worm wheel toward  
the other one of said worm shaft and said worm wheel.--